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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

A complete listing of all claims in the application are provided below. After each claim number, the status of each claim is indicted in a parenthetical expression. The text of each claim under examination (with markings to show current changes) is also presented.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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7. (New claim) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

(i) ^{6 a-b loops or buttons} three to five rows of buttons horizontally positioned along the window treatment; each row of buttons is spaced apart from the other rows of buttons;

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7 (ii) each row of buttons adapted for fastening onto a row of loops extending horizontally along the window treatment for removably securing at least a

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- lower portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;
- (iii) ^{3 a-e} a suspending sleeve for receiving a rod therethrough to suspend the window treatment over the window opening; the suspending sleeve is positioned along a top portion of the window treatment;
- (iv) the window treatment is in a raised position when at least one row of buttons is fastened to the row of loops, thereby causing a portion of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and
- (v) the fastening of at least one row of buttons onto the row of loops is the only means by which the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

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8. (New claim) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

- (i) ^{6 a-b} three to five rows of loops horizontally positioned along the window treatment; each row of loops spaced apart from the other rows of loops;
- (ii) ^{5 a-e} each row of loops adapted for fastening onto a row of buttons extending horizontally along the window treatment for removably securing at least a lower portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;

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- (iii) ^{3 a-e} a suspending sleeve for receiving a rod there through to suspend the window treatment over the window opening; the suspending sleeve is positioned along a top portion of the window treatment;
- (iv) ¹³ the window treatment is in a raised position when at least one row of loops is fastened onto the row of buttons, thereby causing a portion of lower portion of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and
- (v) ¹⁸ the fastening of the row of buttons to the row of loops is the only means by which the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

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9. (New) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

- (i) a fabric panel; the fabric panel having a first face and second face;
- (ii) ⁵ a row of loops and three to five rows of buttons; the loops in the rows of ⁶ loops are adapted for fastening onto the buttons in the three to five rows of buttons for removably securing at least a portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;

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- (iii) ¹⁰ the rows of loops extending horizontally along the first face of the fabric panel; the three to five rows of buttons extending horizontally along the first face of the fabric panel;
- (iv) ^{3 a-e} a suspending sleeve for receiving a rod therethrough to suspend the window treatment over the window opening; the suspending sleeve is positioned along a top portion of the window treatment;
- (v) the window treatment is in a raised position when at least one row of buttons is fastened to the row of loops, thereby causing a lower portion of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and
- (vi) the fastening of the at least one row of buttons to the one row of loops is the only means by which the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

10. (New) The window treatment of claims 8, wherein at least one row of buttons is arranged horizontally at a location which is about 0 to about 12 inches from a top edge of the window treatment.

11. (New) The window treatment of claims 7 or 9, wherein the window treatment comprises one to seven rows of buttons.

12. (New) The window treatment of claim 8, wherein the window treatment comprises three to seven rows of loops.

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13. (New) The window treatment of claims 7 or 9, wherein the window treatment comprises three rows of buttons; the three rows of buttons are positioned to permit the lower portion of the window treatment to be raised at least at three different lengths when the first, second or third row of buttons is fastened to the row of loops.

14. (New) The window treatment of claim 12, wherein the window treatment comprises three rows of loops, the three rows of loops are positioned to permit the lower portion of the window treatment to be raised at least at three different lengths when the first, second or third row of loops is fastened to the row of buttons.

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15. (New claim) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

- (i) ^{5 a-e} a row of buttons and at least one row of loops ^{6 a-b} for removably securing at least a portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;
- (ii) the row of buttons is affixed to the window treatment along an upper portion of the window treatment;
- (iii) the at least one row of loops is positioned along a lower portion of the window treatment;
- (iv) the loops in the at least one row of loops are adapted for fastening onto the buttons in the rows of buttons;
- (v) the window treatment is in a raised position when the row of buttons is fastened onto at least one row of loops, thereby causing the lower portion

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- (vi) of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and the fastening of the row of buttons onto at least one row of loops is the only means by which the lower portion of the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

16. (New) The window treatment of claim 15, wherein the at least one row of buttons is arranged horizontally at a location which is about 0 to about 12 inches from the top edge of the window treatment.

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17. (New) The window treatment of claim 15, further comprising a ^{3 a-e} suspending sleeve for receiving a rod therethrough to suspend the window treatment over the window opening; the suspending sleeve is positioned along the top of the window treatment.

18. (New) The window treatment of claim 15, further comprising multiple ^{6 a-b} rows of loops; the multiple rows of loops are horizontally spaced relative to each other.

19. (New) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

- (i) ^{6 a-b} a row of loops and ^{5 a-e} at least one row of buttons for removably securing at least a portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;
- (ii) the row of loops is affixed to the window treatment along an upper portion of the window treatment;

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- (iii) the at least one row of buttons is positioned along a lower portion of the window treatment;
- (iv) the loops in the row of loops are adapted for fastening onto the buttons in the at least one row of buttons;
- (v) the window treatment is in a raised position when at least one row of buttons is fastened onto the row of loops, thereby causing the lower portion of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and
- (vi) the fastening of the at least one row of buttons onto the one row of loops is the only means by which the lower portion of the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

20. (New) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

- (i) ^{5 a-e} a row of buttons and ^{6 a-b} three rows of loops for removably securing at least a portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;
- (ii) the row of buttons is affixed to the window treatment along an upper portion of the window treatment; the row of buttons extending horizontally across the upper portion of the window treatment;

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- (iii) ¹⁰ the at least one row of loops are positioned below the row of buttons; each row of loops extends horizontally across the window treatment, and each row of loops is spaced apart from the other rows of loops;
- (iv) ¹³ the loops in the at least one row of loops is adapted for fastening onto the buttons in the row of buttons thereto;
- (v) the window treatment is in a raised position when the row of buttons is fastened onto at least one row of loops, thereby causing a lower portion of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and
- (vi) the fastening of the row of buttons onto at least one row of loops is the only means by which the lower portion of the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

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21. (New) A raisable window treatment sized to fit substantially over a window opening, the window treatment capable of being raised or lowered without the use of draw strings, the window treatment comprising:

- (i) ^{6 a-b} a row of loops and ^{5 a-e} three rows of buttons for removably securing at least a portion of the window treatment in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening;
- (ii) the row of loops is affixed to the window treatment along an upper portion of the window treatment; the row of loops extending horizontally across the window treatment;

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- (iii) ¹⁰ the three rows of buttons are positioned below the row of loops; each row of buttons extending horizontally across the window treatment and each row of buttons is spaced apart from the other row of buttons;
- (iv) the loops in the rows of loops are adapted for fastening onto the buttons in the row of buttons;
- (v) ¹⁵ the window treatment is in a raised position when the first, second or third row of buttons is fastened to the row of loops, thereby causing a lower portion of the window treatment to be removably secured in the raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening; and
- (vi) ²⁰ the fastening of the first, second or third row of buttons to the one row of
²¹ loops is the only means by which the lower portion of the window treatment is removably secured in a raised position while the window treatment is positioned over the window opening.

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22. (New) The window treatment of claim 20, wherein the at least one row of
buttons is arranged horizontally at a location which is about 0 to about 12 inches from the top edge of the window treatment.

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23. (New) The window treatment of claims 7, 8, 9, 15, 19, 20 or 21, further comprising a ^{3a-e} tab top suspending sleeve for suspending the window treatment in front of the window opening.

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24. (New) The window treatment of claim 20, further comprising a
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suspending sleeve for receiving a rod therethrough to suspend the window treatment over the
window opening; the suspending sleeve is positioned along the top of the window treatment.

25. (New) The window treatment of claim 21, further comprising a
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suspending sleeve for receiving a rod therethrough to suspend the window treatment over the
window opening; the suspending sleeve is positioned along the top of the window treatment.

26. (New) The window treatment of claim 20, wherein the three rows of loops
horizontally spaced relative to each other.

27. (New) The window treatment of claim 20, wherein the three rows of loops
are positioned to permit the portion of the window treatment to be raised at least at three
different lengths when the first, second or third row of buttons is fastened to the row of loops.

28. (New) The window treatment of claim 21, wherein the three rows of
buttons are positioned along the window treatment to permit the portion of the window
treatment to be raised at least at three different lengths when the first, second or third row of
buttons is fastened to the row of loops.
